



“Education...Just Different”

Algiers Technology Academy • Martin Behrman Elementary • Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary • William J. Fischer Elementary  
Alice M. Harte Elementary • Edna Karr High • McDonogh 32 Elementary • Harriet Ross Tubman Elementary • O. Perry Walker High

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**ALGIERS CHARTER SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION HOSTS 1<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM**  
*Over 550 ACSA employees gathered together to share and learn best practices across ACSA*

New Orleans, LA— On Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, from 7:30a.m. to 3:00p.m., the Algiers Charter Schools Association (ACSA) held its 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Educational Practitioners Symposium at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel for all ACSA employees (school administrators, school teachers, school support staff, school clericals, and all central services staff). This year’s theme was: Nine Schools Sharing One Vision for Quality Education in ACSA Schools.

Over 550 employees attended the event --- that is representation from ACSA Central Services and all of the ACSA network schools, with the exception of O. Perry Walker High School whose staff attended the funeral of one of their faculty members on that day.

The Symposium provided employees with an opportunity to gather and research best practices across the association, like ACSA’s Positive Behavior Support model, ACSA’s Response to Intervention model, the Teacher Advancement Program (TAP) System in ACSA, and Public Leadership in ACSA. “The work that we do as educators and administrators for children every day is extremely vital to the long-term investment in human capital and sustainability for the Algiers community,” said Dr. Andrea Thomas-Reynolds, ACSA Chief Executive Officer. “This was an excellent opportunity for employees in the ACSA network of schools to collaborate, learn, and experience the potential of like minds coming together to share best practices for our students.”

After breakfast and an Opening Session, employees participated in three Concurrent Sessions, which were lead by a panel of experts from across the association. Dr. Thomas-Reynolds gave the keynote address during lunch. There was plenty of positive feedback from ACSA staff members who said they look forward to ACSA’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Educational Practitioners Symposium.

For more information about ACSA or its network schools, visit [www.AlgiersCharterSchools.org](http://www.AlgiersCharterSchools.org).

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